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Inventor(s): Stephen J. Sicola et al.

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Group Art Unit: 2184

Title: METHOD FOR TRANSACTION LOG FAILOVER MERGING DURING ASYNCHRONOUS OPERATIONS IN A DATA STORAGE NETWORK

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TOTAL CLAIMS	14	MINUS	20	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	MINUS	3	= 0	X \$84	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$410.00	3RD MONTH \$930.00	4TH MONTH \$1450.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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In re Application of:

Stephen J. Sicola, Susan G. Elkington, and
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Serial No. 09/538,700 ✓

Filed: March 30, 2000 ✓

For: METHOD FOR TRANSACTION LOG
FAILOVER MERGING DURING
ASYNCHRONOUS OPERATIONS IN A
DATA STORAGE NETWORK

Customer No.: **25235**

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**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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AMENDMENT TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 2, 2003

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of June 2, 2003, please amend
the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which
begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

Conclusion begin on page 10 of this paper.